

**Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians
Natural Resource Commission
Regular Meeting
August 25, 2010**

Meeting called to order at 6:19 p.m. by John Keshick III,
Commissioner

Roll Call:

Commission: Commissioner, John Keshick III; Vice-Chairman,
Daugherty Johnson III; and Secretary, William McNamara.

Absent: Treasurer, Phil Harmon; 1 Vacant Position

NRD Staff: Great Lakes Fishery Biologist, Stephen Lenart; Chief
Conservation Officer, Kevin Willis; and Administrative Assistant,
Debra S. Browne.

Absent: NRD Director, Doug Craven; Inland Wildlife Biologist,
Archie Kiogima; Inland Fisheries Biologist, Max Field; Inland
Fishery Biologist, Bill Parsons;

Guests: Doug Mummert, Resident of MI; James Bransky, LTBB
Attorney; Dexter McNamara, LTBB Vice-Chairman

Public Comment: Opened 6:21 p.m. comments provided by tribal
members D. Browne, Kevin Willis regarding hunting seasons on private
lands and CFA lands. Doug Mummert was introduced by Kevin Willis
and addressed the commission regarding the state of MI establishing
commercial hunting guides in 2010 with a permit being required and
by 2011 there will be rules and regulations in place for commercial
guides. The state of MI bear management plans and natural resource
management in general has been less than accurate. The State of MI
has been bending regulations and allowing special interest group
dollars to control the management of the natural resources.

Public Comment: Closed at 7:26 p.m.

6:22 p.m. James Bransky arrived.

7:26 p.m. Doug Mummert departs meetings.

NRC reviewed the Agenda.

**Motion made by Daugherty Johnson III, Vice-Chairman; to
adopt the agenda as amended, William McNamara, Secretary;
supports.**

3 Yes 0 No 1 Absent (Harmon) 0 Abstained 1 Vacant
Motion Carried

NRC reviewed the minutes of August 11, 2010.

Motion made by William McNamara, Secretary, to approve the minutes of August 11, 2010 as corrected, Daugherty Johnson III, Vice-Chairman, supports.

3 Yes 0 No 1 Absent (Harmon) 0 Abstained 1 Vacant
Motion Carried

7:18 p.m. James Bransky departs meeting.

Directors Report – Doug Craven, Director – No Report

- Doug is on Beaver Island, Grant work

Conservation Enforcement Report – Kevin Willis, Chief Conservation Officer

- Festival by the Bay canoe races were held in Petoskey and the conservation officers were on site for safety. 15 Kayak participants and the jiimaan crossed the bay.
- LTBB Conservation Officers offered their services to the Sheriff's office for the recovery of the body that has been missing in the bay for over 2 weeks and it was determined that it is the responsibility of the Sheriff's office and their assistance was declined by the Sheriff Department.
- Elk Hunt season #1 opens up on the 31st of August with orientation on Monday the 30th. LTBB has two hunters in the early hunt.
- Kevin & Michael traveled to Beaver Island on Tuesday, August 24, 2010 and experienced some motor trouble on the return trip to Petoskey.
- The coast guard has reported more drowning's in the great lakes this year than in the past years

Motion made by Daugherty Johnson III, Vice-Chairman , to approve the Conservation Enforcement Verbal Report as presented by Kevin Willis, Chief Conservation Officer, William McNamara, Secretary ; supports.

3 Yes 0 No 1 Absent (Harmon) 0 Abstained 1 Vacant
Motion Carried

Great Lakes Biologist Report – Stephen Lenart, Great Lakes Biologist

- No report

Inland Wildlife Biologist Report – Archie Kiogima, Inland Wildlife Biologist and William Parsons, Inland Fisheries Biologist

- No Report – Wildlife personnel on Beaver Island – Grant Work

Commissioner's Report – John Keshick III, Commissioner

- SSM issuing Co-captain Licenses will be handled in house by SSM.
- Cross Village Access site is being sought out by SSM fishers due to SSM fisher over fishing in Lake Huron.
- Call received from Rebecca Atkinson in Chairman's office regarding the payments to CORA that was discovered by an audit conducted for LTBB and the dollars coming from pass through funds being paid to CORA and CORA not having a strategic plan or a management/business plan in place it may be wrong to pay CORA out of these funds.

Discussion was held on LTBB's trust applications that have been submitted to the BIA. The LTBB Cross Village land trust application to the BIA was appealed by the Cross Village township members at their July meeting due to the legal description, and had some requests that have been addressed by LTBB.

Motion made by Daugherty Johnson III, Vice-Chairman, to approve the Commissioner's Verbal Report as presented by John Keshick III, NRC Commissioner; William McNamara, Secretary , supports.

3 Yes 0 No 1 Absent (Harmon) 0 Abstained 1 Vacant

Motion Carried

Motion made by Daugherty Johnson III, Vice-Chairman, to table the LTBB Commercial Fishing Apprentice Program Policy and the LTBB Commercial Captain Trainer Program Policy until the October meeting; William McNamara, Secretary , supports.

3 Yes 0 No 1 Absent (Harmon) 0 Abstained 1 Vacant

Motion Carried

Discussion was held on the LTBB Reservation Natural Resource Rules and Regulations comments. Seems there are some comments missing and the commission will discuss at a future date.

FYI's were discussed by the commission.

Motion made by Daugherty Johnson III, Vice-Chairman, to legal to submit a letter for the Black Lake Sturgeon Harvest tribal allocation to go to the other tribes if they do not intend to

harvest their tribal allocation; William McNamara, Secretary, supports.

3 Yes 0 No 1 Absent (Harmon) 0 Abstained 1 Vacant

Motion Carried

Motion made by William McNamara, Secretary, to approve commissioner attendance at the Elk meeting to be held on September 14, 2010 in Grayling, MI at the RAM Center; the Sturgeon meeting to be held on September 13, 2010 in Petoskey, MI at the LTBB Community Center; the Circle of Flight meeting to be held at Grand Traverse, MI; CORA meeting to be held on September 23, 2010 in Petoskey, MI at the LTBB Community Center; with mileage, stipend, and per diem travel; Daugherty Johnson III, Vice-Chairman, supports.

3 Yes 0 No 1 Absent (Harmon) 0 Abstained 1 Vacant

Motion Carried

Public Comment opened at 8:34 p.m.

Public Comment closed at 8:40 p.m.

Motion made by William McNamara, Secretary, to adjourn the meeting at 8:41 p.m., Daugherty Johnson III, Vice-Chairman, supports.

3 Yes 0 No 1 Absent (Harmon) 0 Abstained 1 Vacant

Motion Carried

Next scheduled meeting will be held on September 15, 2010.

Approved:

William McNamara, Secretary

Date